



Ocotillo

Weekly Update

A newsletter for the residents of Glendale's Ocotillo District



Councilmember Norma Alvarez

September 9, 2011



29th Annual Fire Prevention Day & Parade. Join us for this exciting Glendale tradition on Saturday, Oct. 8.

The parade starts at 9 a.m., 52nd and Glendale avenues and ends at Murphy Park. Parade goers will enjoy fire vehicles, marching bands, clowns, scouts and much more! Food vendors, hands-only CPR demonstrations, safety information booths and activities for the entire family will be located in Murphy Park until 1 p.m. Join in on the fun!

[Click here](#) for more information.

City Draws Closer to Final Map for Voting Boundaries; Public Input Sought. The city's redistricting consultant, National Demographics Corporation, was directed to bring forward the map dubbed "Plan D" to the Sept. 13 city council meeting. At that time, the council can take a formal vote on adopting Plan D. That map would then be sent on for approval by the Department of Justice.

The public is also encouraged to continue to provide their reactions to the map either prior to the Sept. 13 city council meeting or at the meeting itself. In advance of the meeting, comments can be made through an online comment form at www.glendaleaz.com, by fax to (623) 463-6678 or by mail to: Pamela Hanna, Glendale City Clerk, 5850 W. Glendale Avenue, Ste. 455, Glendale, AZ 85301.

The Glendale City Council meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 13, in the City Council Chambers, 5850 W. Glendale Avenue.

La ciudad se acerca a la finalizar los mapas de los límites de la votación. La opinión del público se solicita. El consultante *National Demographics Corporation* fue dirigido por el consejo de la ciudad para que se presente el mapa denominado "Plan D" en la reunión del 13 de septiembre al consejo de la ciudad para tomar un voto, el cual se enviará para su aprobación al Departamento de Justicia.

Se invita al público a seguir presentando sus reacciones sobre el mapa antes de la reunión del consejo el 13 de septiembre, o en la propia reunión. Para hacer comentarios antes de la reunión, los comentarios se pueden hacer a través de un formulario via electrónica al www.glendaleaz.com o por fax al 623-463-6678, o por correo dirigido a: Pamela Hanna, Glendale City Clerk, 5850 W. Glendale Avenue, Ste. 455, Glendale, AZ 85301.

La reunión del consejo se llevará a cabo a las 7:00 pm el martes, 13 de septiembre en la Cámara del Concejo Municipal, 5850 W. Glendale Ave.

G.A.I.N. – Getting Arizona Involved in Neighborhoods.

- **G.A.I.N. 2011 Kickoff Event – Saturday, Sept. 17**
- **G.A.I.N. Night – Saturday, Nov. 5**

The Glendale Police Department invites you and your neighbors to participate in this year's G.A.I.N. 2011, "Are You Prepared" Events.

G.A.I.N. 2011 will begin with a Kickoff Event on Saturday, September 17th, 2011, from 9-11:30 a.m. at the Vineyard Church, 6250 W. Peoria in Glendale.

Next, you are encouraged to participate in G.A.I.N. Night by hosting your own community event in your neighborhood. This is the perfect opportunity to bring your neighborhood together to get to know each other, share information and improve your sense of community.

City elected officials and representatives from the police and other city departments are out in force on G.A.I.N. Night. They will visit events all across the city in an effort to meet you and your neighbors and support your efforts.



G.A.I.N. Night will be held on Saturday, November 5, 2011, from 4 to 9:30 p.m. If you would like representatives to stop by, you must register your event. The first 75 events to register their G.A.I.N. Night Event will receive our new Emergency Kit that contains useful items needed in the event of an emergency! The deadline to register your neighborhood event is October 14, 2011. For additional information, [click here](#) or call (623) 930-4037.

Around Town

To All Football Fans! The NFL season officially kicks off Sunday, Sept. 11, as the Cardinals take on the Carolina Panthers at the University of Phoenix Stadium in Glendale. Get the scoop on traffic routes, parking information and more [here](#). Check back on game day for a live video stream of all the action outside the stadium!

Glendale Public Library Offers e-Reader Workshop. Glendale Public Library is offering a workshop to help potential e-reader buyers sort out the differences between five of the top-rated devices: the Sony Pocket Reader; the Barnes & Noble Nook; the Barnes & Noble Nook Color; the Amazon Kindle; and the Apple iPad.

The free workshop, "Introduction to E-Book Readers," will be held on Wednesday, September 14 and repeated on October 12, November 16 and December 14 from 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. in the large meeting room at the Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. Digital librarian Marlene Jacobson will give an overview of the features, specifications and functions of each device. Participants will also have an opportunity to explore each of the devices.

There are significant differences in the devices that the workshops will cover, including screen types, navigation, wireless capability, screen size and weight, supported file formats, price, library borrowing compatibility and vendor bookstore selection. To register for the free workshops call 623-930-3531 or stop by the reference desk at the Main Library.

Child Care & Babysitting Workshop. Get training on safe and fun ways to babysit and care for children. Class covers CPR, first aid, techniques for active children and how to have a successful babysitting adventure. Build the confidence, self-esteem and skills necessary to care for infants and children on a daily basis and in emergency situations. The workshop will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday, September 17, at the Foothills Recreation & Aquatics Center, 5600 W. Union Hills Dr. The cost is \$63 for residents and \$76 for non-Glendale residents. Please bring a sack lunch. [Click here](#) to register or call 623-930-4613 for more information.

Live at the Library. Live at the Library welcomes Wayward Maggie with Jess Hawk Oakenstar and Kate DeLaPointe. Their musical presentation rests somewhere between mournfully dark and rockingly/rollickingly comedic, but it's hard to pin them down. Join us at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, September 22 at the Glendale Main Library's Auditorium, 5959 W. Brown Street.

Thunderbird Global Business Dialogue "Redefining Global Leadership." An elite group of global business executives, global leaders, government officials, NGO representatives, and thought leaders from around the world will unite on Thunderbird's campus Nov. 10-11 for two days of leading-edge dialogue, networking and collaboration on today's most pressing global business topics. The Thunderbird Global Business Dialogue will focus on "Redefining Global Leadership," and discussion will include an exchange of ideas related to effective leadership in the new world economy; accelerating business across cultures; financial solutions for global growth and prosperity; navigating emerging markets and beyond; technology and its impact in an interconnected world; and business's role in social and economic prosperity worldwide. [Click here for](#) more information.

Dine & Glitter is Back! Friday, Dec. 9. Dine & Glitter is a co-op type event for small and mid-size companies to celebrate with employees at a cost-effective shared holiday party. Companies can reduce costs by sharing the main ballroom of the Civic Center, yet each business also has a designated dining area of their own. Last year 150 guests from several Valley companies attended Dine & Glitter!

Plus! Step outside the Civic Center to enjoy Glendale's Winter Wonderland Weekend, part of Glendale Glitters' outdoor holiday festival with 1.5 million twinkling lights! [Click here](#) for more information or to RSVP online. For more information, call the Glendale Civic Center at 623-930-4300.

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